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Dear Sir:

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1. Filing of Missing Parts Of Application Under 37 CFR 1.53(f) (2 pages);
2. Required copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application (2 pages);
3. Executed Declaration (2 pages);
4. Executed Power of Attorney (1 page);
5. Executed Submission Under 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) (1 page) with copy of Assignment (2 pages) (3 pages total);
6. Letter Submitting Formal Drawings (1 page);
7. Formal Drawings, FIGS. 1-29 (28 sheets);
8. Fee Transmittal Sheet (1 page);
9. Check Number 898258 in the amount of \$65.00 (for the surcharge under 37 CFR 1.16(e)); and
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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.**

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The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
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